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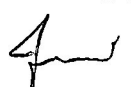
Dear Dan:

In Izvestia, no. 106, April 15, 1989, Gromyko had a long discussion of his meeting of Oct 18, 1962. He concluded:

"He [Kennedy] started to discuss extensively the Soviet 'offensive weapons' being placed in Cuba. He did not use the word 'rocket.' I cannot explain why the president acted thus. But all the same, he to some extent made my position easier. I also did not find it necessary to speak directly about rockets."

Hope this helps clear up our discussion on this point.

Sincerely,


Jim Goldgeier

but didn't VFR read

statements, which

mentioned missiles?

Did G. say, "we want"?

(Taylor)